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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO GSDR FOLLOW-UP REQUEST FOR INFORMATION  
CONCERNING POSSIBLE ILLEGAL PAYMENT BY PAGE-EUROPA TO  
SOMALI NATIONAL

REFS: A) STATE 247018; B) MOGADISCIO 2018

1. THE FOLLOWING IS A SUGGESTED RESPONSE TO THE GSDR NOTE  
CONCERNING PAGE-EUROPA QUOTED IN REF B: COMPLIMENTARY  
OPENING...AND HAS THE HONOR TO INFORM THE MINISTRY THAT  
UPON RECEIPT OF THE MINISTRY'S NOTE THE DEPARTMENT OF  
STATE CONSULTED THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
AND WAS INFORMED THAT NO INFORMATION HAD BEEN RECEIVED FROM  
NORTHROP CORPORATION SUBSEQUENT TO THAT TRANSMITTED IN  
US EMBASSY NOTE , AND THAT CONTRARY TO THE MINIS-  
TRY'S BELIEF, NO INFORMATION IN THIS CASE HAS BEEN SUPPLIED  
TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS MORE DETAILED THAN THAT INFORMATION  
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SUPPLIED THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SOMALI DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC.

2. THE MINISTRY MAY BE ASSURED THAT THE UNITED STATES  
GOVERNMENT FULLY DESIRES TO ASSIST FOREIGN STATES IN  
THEIR EFFORTS TO PROMOTE JUSTICE IN THESE COMPLEX  
CASES AND THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT HAS  
THEREFORE ESTABLISHED A MECHANISM THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF

JUSTICE TO CONCLUDE PROCEDURAL AGREEMENTS WITH THE MINISTRIES OF JUSTICE OF INTERESTED FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS FOR THE DIRECT EXCHANGE OF SUCH CONFIDENTIAL RELEVANT INFORMATION AS BECOMES AVAILABLE. EACH SUCH AGREEMENT ARRIVED AT IS CONDITIONED UPON RECIPROCITY AND CONFIDENTIALITY, I.E., ALL INFORMATION MUTUALLY EXCHANGED IS RESTRICTED TO THE CONFIDENTIAL USE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ONLY -- UNTIL NEEDED IN THE COURSE OF A PUBLIC TRIAL. THESE RESTRICTIONS ARE FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROTECTING INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS AND THE INTEGRITY OF THE CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE AND PROSECUTORIAL PROCESS. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THE MINISTRY HAS CONFUSED THE NORTHROP-PAGE-EUROPA CASE WITH THE LOCKHEED CORPORATION CASE IN ITS REFERENCE TO THE "DETAILED REPORTS WHICH INVOLVED OTHER GOVERNMENTS...SUPPLIED TO THEM BY THE UNITED STATES". SUCH INFORMATION CONCERNING LOCKHEED AS HAS BEEN EXCHANGED WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTS HAS BEEN PURSUANT TO THE AGREEMENTS REFERRED TO ABOVE. THE MINISTRY SHOULD NOTE THAT NORTHROP'S INVESTIGATION HAS NOT YET CONCLUSIVELY ESTABLISHED THAT ANY WRONGDOING INVOLVING SOMALI NATIONALS HAS TAKEN PLACE. THE INVESTIGATION NOW IN PROGRESS IS DESIGNED IN PART TO RESOLVE THIS PARTICULAR QUESTION.

3. SHOULD THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SOMALI DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC DESIRE SUCH PERTINENT INFORMATION CONCERNING THE PAGE EUROPA CASE NOT IN THE PUBLIC RECORD AS MIGHT BE DISCOVERED AS THE RESULT OF THE ONGOING INVESTIGATION, IT SHOULD REQUEST NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE CONCLUSION OF A PROCEDURAL AGREEMENT FOR THE EXCHANGE OF SUCH INFORMATION BETWEEN OUR RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS OF JUSTICE. SUCH A LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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REQUEST CAN INITIALLY BE MADE THROUGH THE SOMALI EMBASSY

IN WASHINGTON. HOWEVER, THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE REQUIRES THE PARTICIPATION OF A SOMALI MINISTRY OF JUSTICE OFFICIAL IN THE ACTUAL NEGOTIATIONS. COMPLIMENTARY CLOSE.

4. FYI: SHOULD THE GSDR PURSUE THIS MATTER AND REQUEST THAT A PROCEDURAL AGREEMENT BE ARRIVED AT, WE COULD SEND THEM A COPY OF THE STANDARD AGREEMENT WE HAVE WITH A NUMBER OF OTHER COUNTRIES. BUT GIVEN THE EFFORT INVOLVED IN THIS PROCESS, THE GSDR SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED TO WAIT UNTIL THERE IS CONFIRMED INFORMATION INVOLVING SOMALI NATIONAL WRONGDOING. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE INFORMATION THAT THEY HAVE ALREADY BEEN GIVEN WAS IN THE PUBLIC RECORD AND THEREFORE DID NOT REQUIRE ANY SPECIAL ACCORD. THIS IS UNLIKELY TO BE TRUE OF THE MORE SENSITIVE INFORMATION WHICH MAY BE DEVELOPED AND WHICH THEY NOW APPEAR TO BE SEEKING.

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